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Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office acknowledges receipt of the priority document for the above-identified application.

The priority document was filed on October 28, 2003. A copy of the transmittal letter to the Patent Office, which states that the priority document was filed, and a copy of the cover of priority document are attached hereto.

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Sir:

The benefit of the filing date of the following prior foreign application is hereby requested for the above-identified application, and the priority provided in 35 U.S.C. 119 is hereby claimed:

Japanese Appln. No. 2002-313599, filed on October 29, 2002

In support of this claim, the requisite certified copy of said original foreign application is filed herewith.

It is requested that the file of this application be marked to indicate that the applicants have complied with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 119 and that the Patent and Trademark Office kindly acknowledge receipt of said certified copy.

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